# Quebec Trois-Rivières Pyrrhotite Program

(Verified on 9/20/2016 by the manager responsible for the Pyrrhotite program in Quebec)

## Eligibility

- 1. Owner of a residential building
- 2. The building has damage OR a laboratory report confirms 0.3% or more of pyrrhotite (by volume)
- 3. The damage is caused by pyrrhotite in the concrete and work is necessary to ensure the integrity of the foundation
- 4. The building was not purchased after June 22, 2011. Buyers after this date are presumed to have included a discount in the price

#### Assistance Offered

75% of eligible costs up to \$75,000. If grantee receives compensation from an insurance company or another source (including results of civil remedies), the grantee will repay the assistance given.

### Eligible Work

- Replacement of the building foundations, including building accesses if integrated into foundations and, if necessary, the building exterior (siding)
- Rooms located in the basement

## Ineligible Work

- Landscaping,
- Driveways (pavement, asphalt paving),
- Replacement or remediation of wooden structures, swimming pools, spas, or other "accessories"

#### **Application Process**

- 1. Complete initial form (attached)
- 2. Submit the application by mail or in person
- 3. Manager confirms application receipt. If funding is available, an inspector will contact the applicant to conduct an initial inspection.
  - The assigned inspector becomes the single point of contact for the applicant for the process.
  - At the initial inspection, the inspector conducts a visual inspection as well as taking photos of the foundation and records the existing layout of the basement.
- 4. Applicant must then submit two quotes from licensed contractors as well as a building form (also attached)
- 5. The inspector analyzes the submissions and determines the maximum allowable financial assistance, depending on the estimate of the work.
  - Trois Rivières approves the file by signing a certificate of eligibility and issues a building permit
  - Work that begins prior to the signed certificate is not eligible for the grant program

- 6. Once the work is complete, the applicant contacts the inspector who conducts a final inspection. He/she will ensure that the final progress report is signed by the owner, contractor (if applicable) and the inspector.
  - During the final inspection, the inspector will conduct a visual inspection as well as taking photos of the foundation and the newly remediated parts of the basement.
- 7. Once all the necessary documentation has been complete, the inspector submits a check request for the work performed, not to exceed the maximum amount established previously.
  - Please note, any work conducted prior to approval are not eligible for the program.